

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A turning device for a bag comprising:
an inverting cone including an inlet separated from an outlet by a length,
wherein the cross-sectional area of the inverting cone increases from the inlet to
5 the outlet along the length of the inverting cone
an expansion box including an expansion chamber separated from a
manifold chamber by a baffle plate, wherein the baffle plate includes concentric
circles of apertures communicating between the expansion chamber and the
manifold chamber, and the outlet of the inverting cone being open to the
10 expansion chamber opposite to the center of the concentric circles of apertures
in the baffle plate.
2. The turning device according to Claim 1, wherein the apertures in the
baffle plate of the expansion box are positioned in concentric circles of
apertures.
- 15 3. The turning device according to Claim 2, wherein the concentric circle of
apertures are centered below the outlet of the inverting cone.
4. The turning device according to Claim 3, wherein the aperture area of
each concentric circle of apertures is larger than the aperture area of the
adjacent inner concentric circle of apertures.
- 20 5. The turning device according to Claim 1, wherein the expansion box
further includes a door for access to the expansion chamber.
6. The turning device according to Claim 5, further including ejection jets
position for directing air downward towards the baffle plate and towards the
door.
- 25 7. The turning device according to Claim 6, wherein the ejection jets direct
pulses of air.